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UBLY RESIDENT Allan J. McCarty, 53, was killed last Wednesday when a pickup truck drove into the eastbound lane of Cass City Road and struck his pickup truck nearly head-on.

Crash claims Ubyly driver

An Ubyly motorist died in a 2-vehicle accident about 3 miles east of Cass City last week.

Sanilac County Sheriff's deputies identified the victim as Allan J. McCarty, 53, 6126 Ubyly Rd.

The crash occurred last Wednesday at about 3:05 p.m. on Cass City Road, just east of Greenland Road.

Deputies said a pickup truck driven by Kristie M. Parrish, 22, 6349 Third St., Cass City, was leaving a private drive when Parrish lost control and crossed the center line of M-81, hitting an eastbound pickup driven by McCarty.

Upon impact, the McCarty vehicle left the roadway, coming to rest on the south shoulder, with the Parrish vehicle coming to rest in the eastbound lane in front of the McCarty vehicle.

McCarty was pronounced dead at the scene. Parrish sought her own treatment for minor injuries.

The accident remains under investigation. No seat belts were used by either driver, according to reports, which state alcohol is not believed to be a factor.

Deputies were assisted at the scene by Cass City police, Cass City MMR personnel and the Elkland Township Fire Department.

O-G NHS selection process draws fire

The process of selecting new National Honor Society members was called into question in the Owen-Gage School District Thursday night.

The issue was sparked during a rescheduled board of education meeting when 3 students rejected for membership addressed the board along with a few parents.

"I have some concerns because I think it's a great thing, the NHS," Mary Ziehm, the mother of one of the students, Andrea Ziehm, told the board. "I don't think it's (selection process) a fair thing. I think that some of the teachers on it (faculty selection committee) are biased."

Andrea Ziehm, a junior, read the letter of rejection she received from the NHS to board members. The letter indicated Ziehm was not accepted because her "leadership attributes were weak."

Ziehm, who currently has a 4.0 grade point average, with a cumulative 3.45 GPA, noted she was also rejected for membership last year, however, the letter she received a year ago mentioned nothing about her leadership attributes. The student also told board

members she has demonstrated leadership in a variety of activities, from student council and extracurricular activities to clubs and sports.

Ziehm said she knows of another student who listed only one activity under leadership in their NHS application, and that student was accepted. She indicated another rejection by NHS is not only frustrating, considering her qualifications, but it could cost her scholarship opportunities.

The other students in attendance, sophomores Jenna Root and Amanda Howey, expressed similar frustration, particularly with a lack of definition regarding the qualities — character, leadership, etc. — included in the criteria used to select NHS inductees.

Mrs. Ziehm said she plans to appeal the faculty selection committee's decision, and that she would like to meet with the committee to find out why, specifically, her daughter's application was rejected.

School Board President Paul Hunter lauded Andrea Ziehm for her presentation, saying the teen made some good points. He asked Junior/Senior High School Prin-

cipal Tom Wade to look into the matter.

"I think we've got students asking for a better answer, and I think they deserve that," Hunter said.

gested that problems with student/teacher personality conflicts could be offset by eliminating a student's lowest evaluation and averaging the rest.

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Wade said a total of 19 students met the 3.0 grade point average minimum required by NHS. Of those, 15 applied for membership and 12 were accepted, he said.

Wade noted students are selected for NHS membership by a faculty selection committee composed of 8 members, including himself and 2 other non-voting members. But all teachers are asked to evaluate students they know, he said.

He acknowledged that, based on the point system used to grade each NHS candidate, a student's chances for selection would be reduced significantly if one teacher were to rate that student poorly.

Trustee Ron Good sug-

It was noted the next NHS induction ceremony is scheduled for Thursday night. Wade agreed to investigate the students' concerns quickly.

Trustee Jeff Faist indicated the committee should re-evaluate the students who were rejected. "I want to make sure that we're doing these kids right," he said. "There are some kids not getting in that should get in, and that's not right."

IN OTHER BUSINESS

In other business, the board adopted a new elementary school grade policy presented last month by Princi-

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40 attend 'town hall' meeting

Downtown discussion productive

A "town hall" style meeting held last week to discuss the future of Cass City's central business district proved productive, at least in terms of identifying the challenges involved in improving the downtown area.

About 40 people, including a number of business owners, attended the March 9 session at the village municipal building.

Most indicated a willingness to actively pursue facade and other improvements to downtown buildings. There was also general agreement that, to make the project truly successful, some form of financial incentive or assistance program must be developed, and

a significant effort will be needed to convince some building owners to participate.

The meeting opened with an explanation of drawings prepared by the architectural firm of Toschach, Sobczak, Spence and Forsythe, Saginaw.

The drawings depict possible improvements to individual building facades and streetscapes downtown, with an emphasis on preserving the original design of the structures. Architect Fred Eurich described the materials, paint colors and renovation techniques used to create a sense of uniformity among the building facades.

Obviously, turning some of those ideas into reality will involve a significant investment. Village President L.E. Althaver said.

"We're looking at a very long-range plan," he pointed out, noting members of the Cass City Downtown Development Authority felt that if they didn't initiate some discussion on the topic, "we'll never get started and we'll still look the same way we do now 10 years from now."

Dick Hendrick, owner of the Cass Theatre, suggested it will be difficult to get full cooperation from all building owners, particularly those whose buildings are vacant and who haven't been will-

ing to at least hang drapes to hide the clutter inside.

CHALLENGE

"There's clearly a challenge in that regard," Althaver responded, adding he hopes most business owners will participate if some form of incentive program can be developed.

"Do we need 100 percent participation to make it work?" asked Kelly Smith, owner of Kelly & Co Realty.

"Obviously, we have a couple of people who have already done some work," Althaver said. "It doesn't take a majority to get it off the ground, but it takes a

majority of citizens to support it."

"Sometimes, just one or 2 renovations plant the seeds," agreed Cass City Economic Development Chairman Geraldine Prieskorn. "I don't think you need a major buy-in to get it going."

"If that's the case, sign me up," Smith said. "Seriously, I think it's a good idea."

The problem, said Steve Wright, owner of the Paint Store, is that one great looking building facade can be spoiled if a neighboring building remains neglected.

Which is why financial incentives are important. Please turn to page 10.

Laming among 300 chosen for exchange scholarship

A Cass City High School senior is among just 300 teens nationwide who have been selected to receive full-ride scholarships for a year-long study program in Germany.

Danielle Laming, 18, Ubyly, recently learned she was chosen to receive the scholarship, valued at more than \$7,000, through the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Program.

She leaves for a month-long, intensive orientation session this summer.

"It's the chance of a lifetime. I couldn't pass it up," commented Laming, the daughter of Louis and Anna Laming. "I don't have to pay for anything except for things I might want to buy while I'm there."

Laming is among 1,000 students nationwide who applied for scholarships, according to an admissions counselor with the Washington, D.C.-based Congress-Bundestag Program, who said 12 of the 300 winners are from Michigan.

He noted the scholarships cover all expenses, from round-trip air fare and health insurance to orientation, tours, excursions and other special activities, including meetings with officials representing the United States and German governments, sponsors of the exchange program.

The scholarships are awarded after a comprehensive application and interview process. Applicants are rated on their leadership skills, civic involvement, academic achievement and maturity, and on written recommendations.

Laming said she learned about the program last fall.

"I got the (application) sheets from my 4-H leader," she explained. "She just called me up and said I had a chance to go to Germany for a year free, and I said, 'Wow! I didn't think I'd actually get to go.'"

Laming said the application process began with a lot of paperwork. "I had to fill out a bunch of essays — describing myself, why I wanted to participate, my leadership qualities," she added.

The area teen's resume is impressive. Aside from being active in 4-H, she is involved in Student Council and National Honor Society, currently serving as secretary of both organizations. She is a member of the marching and pep bands and competes in gymnastics. She also participates in the high school's

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Damage at plant set at \$10,000

Cass City police are continuing their investigation into vandalism at the village's wastewater treatment plant early last week.

Police say 2, perhaps 3 individuals are responsible for an estimated \$10,000 in damage caused during the evening hours of March 8 or early morning March 9.

After breaking into the plant, the vandals climbed into a village-owned 1989 Dodge Dakota pickup truck and proceeded to drive around the plant grounds, ramming into a storage building, light pole and the front gate. Later, they apparently placed a fire extinguisher on the accelerator pedal and jumped, causing the vehicle to collide with a section of fencing. The pickup was totaled.

Police Chief Gene Wilson noted the vandals also broke an entrance door to the storage building. Police collected evidence at

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Richard Hampton bound over

Former Deford resident Richard A. Hampton, 37, was bound over to Tuscola County Circuit Court last week on charges of second degree murder in the deaths of 2 Kingston area teens last November.

Judge Kim D. Glaspie ruled probable cause was established in the case against Hampton during his preliminary examination last week in district court.

He faces arraignment on 2 counts of second degree murder Friday at 8:30 a.m. in circuit court.

The charges stem from a fatal accident Nov. 14 that claimed the lives of Joshua Earl Kratz, 15, Silverwood, and Jeffery Allen Randall II, 13, of Kingston.

The accident occurred on Phillips Road, one-half mile north of Deckerville Road. According to Tuscola County Sheriff's Department reports, Hampton ran out of his home, jumped into his van and chased a vehicle occupied by Kratz, Randall and Keven Smith, 15, Kingston, after a family member witnessed the teens smashing his mailbox.

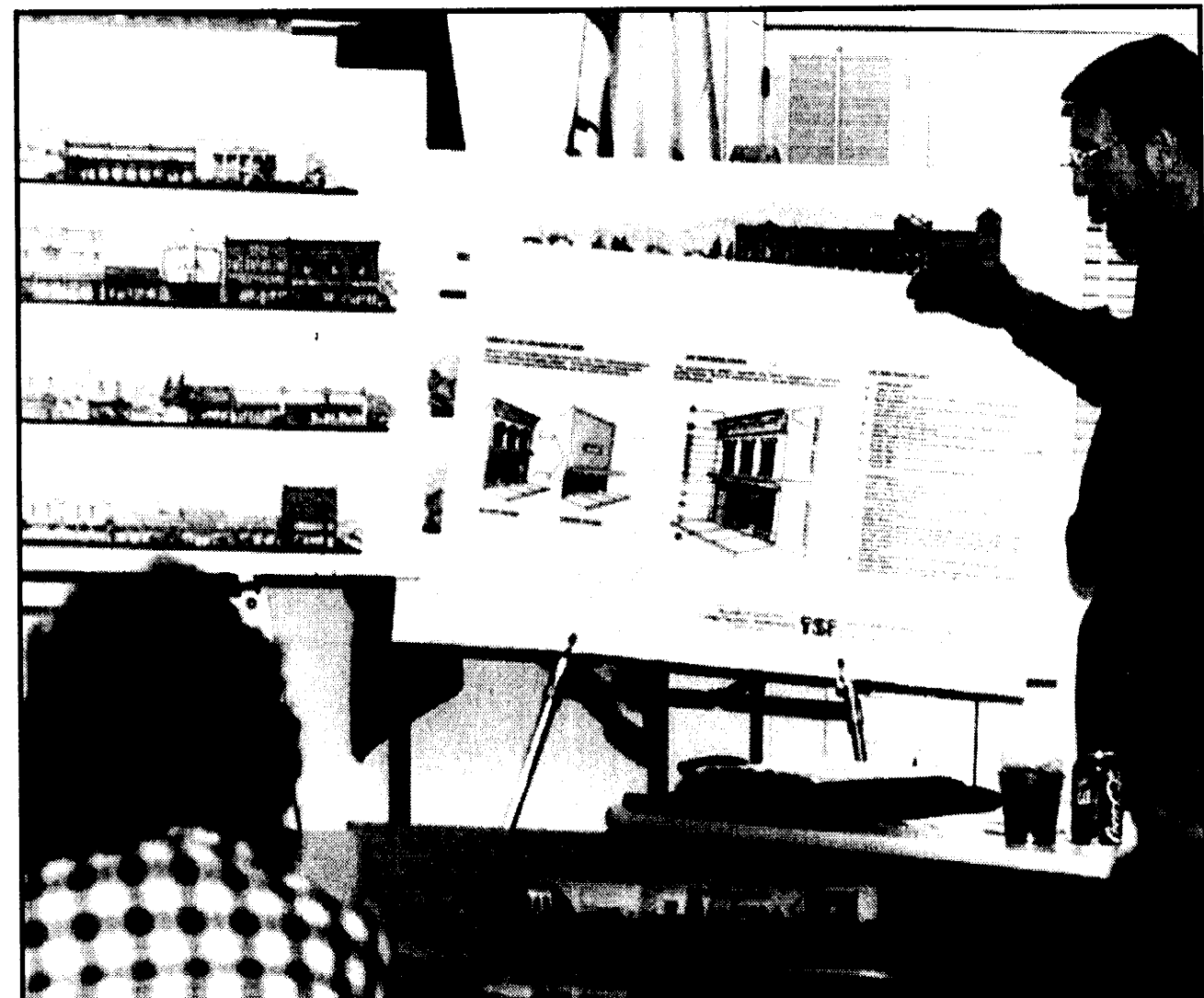
Hampton chased the car, driven by Kratz, on Phillips Road, north of Mushroom Road, then east for a short time before both vehicles turned around and headed west, then north again on Phillips Road, where investigators say Hampton rammed the car with his van, causing Kratz to lose control.

The car left the roadway in a broadside skid and struck a tree.

Reports state both vehicles were traveling at an estimated 80 miles per hour just prior to the crash.

Kratz and Randall, both students in the Kingston Community School District, were pronounced dead at the scene. Smith, who was riding in the back seat, survived and offered testimony during last week's preliminary exam.

Hampton is currently serving a prison term of 2 1/2 years to 10 years in prison following his conviction in December on a charge of fraud in Monroe County Circuit Court.



ARCHITECT FRED Eurich explains the characteristics incorporated into Cass City's facade and streetscape studies during last week's "town hall" meeting.

New books at the library

The Desert Crop by Catherine Cookson: Money is scarce in the farming communities around Fellburn, England, in the 1880s, so when Hector Stewart, only 2 years after the death of his wife, decides to marry Moira Connelly, a "wealthy" distant relative who lives in a "castle" in Ireland, his children Daniel and Patty can easily figure out his motive. Moira, on the other hand, hasn't been very honest about her circumstances and is convinced she is marrying into landed gentry and she will lead the life of leisure to which she is entitled. Moira is surprised when she finds her new home is a ramshackle farmhouse with no servants. Nonetheless she decides to stay and the marriage of convenience works well enough at first until the growing family and financial difficulties changes Hector's behavior toward her considerably.

Southern Cross by Patricia Cornwell: In this book Cornwell takes the reader close to the sometimes crazy (but always threatening) experiences of big-city police, in a story of corruption, scandal and burglaries that escalate to murder. The setting is Richmond, Virginia, where former Charlotte police chief Judy Hammer has been sent to clean up the police force. Reeling from the recent death of her husband and resented by the Richmond police force, city manager and mayor, Hammer is joined by her deputy chief, Virginia West, and rookie Andy Brazil on the most difficult assignment of her career. The 3 of them must find the link between the desecration of Confederate president Jefferson Davis's statue and the brutal murder of an elderly woman.

The Broken Hearts Club by Ethan Black: A banker, a literary agent, a mechanic and a psychologist meet every week in the dingy back room of Mackey's Steak and Ale Tavern in New York. They all have only one thing in common - a broken heart. Their anger and rejection turns to hate and rage and soon the Broken Hearts Club spins violently out of control which results in murderous acts of violence. Detective Voort is assigned to find the killer but it won't be an easy job. The killer is always one death ahead, he is able to switch identities and he knows how to cover his tracks well. Then Voort falls victim to his own broken heart as his ex-girlfriend unknowingly becomes the target of a frightening new breed of serial terror.

It's a boy!



Jacob Hunter Gamet

Pete and Kathy (Cummings) Gamet of Cass City announce the birth of their son, Jacob Hunter. Jacob was welcomed home by his sister, Amber, 7, and brother, Joshua, one.

Jacob was born Feb. 19 at Huron Memorial Hospital in Bad Axe. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Harold and Doris Cummings of Gageton.

Paternal grandparents are Garry and Kris Gamet of Cass City.

Foster grandparents are Norris and Shirleen Holdburg of Cass City.

Borek named winner

Matt Borek of Kingston has been recognized by the U.S. Achievement Academy as a National Leadership and Service Award winner.

Borek, who attends Kingston High School, is the son of Jim and Linda Borek and the grandson of John and Joan Borek, Clifford, and Helen Kolacz, Caro.

His name will appear in the U.S. Achievement Academy's official yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the academy.

Singles to meet

The Thumb Area Christian Singles will host a "Think Spring - Potluck Dinner" Saturday, March 20, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 202 W. Burnside St., Caro.

Additional information is available by calling 872-2786.

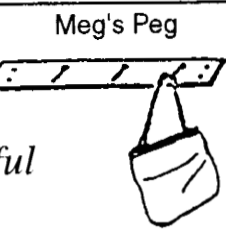
Jordan enlists

Jason R. Jordan has joined the U.S. Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Gladstone, Mo.

A student at Oak Park High School, Gladstone, Jordan is the son of Gary L. Jordan of Vandalia, Ohio, and Anna M. Jordan of Cass City. He will report to Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla., for basic training July 22.



Meg's Peg
Helpful hints



by Melva E. Guinther

Spring officially arrives this weekend, and any day now we can expect that surge of eager, enthusiastic energy that can only express itself in spring cleaning.

Some of us, of course, have given up hoping for any eager, enthusiastic energy and respond rather to clutter-caused compulsion and dust-driven desperation.

Regardless of motivation, house cleaning must be done. Here are a few tips that may help make the process a bit easier. Many of them come from Mary Hunt's collection called "Tiptionary."

*To remove carpet stains, mix one part Tide powder with 2 parts white vinegar and 2 parts warm water. Scrub soiled area, then rinse with clear warm water.

*To remove black heel marks from a hard surface floor, rub them with a paste of soda and water and a plastic scrubber. Use as little water as possible for best results.

*To declog a shower head, pour a cup of vinegar into a large plastic bag and twist tie the bag to the shower head so that it's completely immersed. Let stand for a couple hours or overnight, then rinse.

*For a seriously clogged shower head, dissolve a denture cleaning tablet in a plastic bag and follow the same procedure.

*Clean the buildup of hair spray, etc., from a curling iron with a cloth dipped in rubbing alcohol.

*For stubborn toilet bowl stains, drop one or 2 denture-cleaning tablets into the bowl and allow to sit overnight. Brush and flush.

*To clean mildew and soap scum from a shower curtain, place the curtain in the washer with 2 or 3 white towels. Fill with warm water, add detergent and 1/2 cup

baking soda. Add one cup of vinegar to the rinse water to prevent further mold from forming. Hang on shower curtain to dry.

*Fabric softener added at the beginning of the wash cycle and again in the rinse cycle will get rid of filmy water spots on shower curtains.

*Keep shower curtains closed between uses to allow air circulation and resist mildew.

*To remove pet hair from carpet, spray carpet with a mixture of one part fabric softener to 3 parts water. Wait a few minutes, then vacuum.

*When gathering kindling or pieces of wood from outdoors for the fireplace, carry them in a paper grocery bag. Place the entire bag and contents into the fireplace and light the bag. This prevents the trail of wood dirt through the house.

*Use new paint brushes for dusting delicate items like silk flowers or lamp shades.

*Raw egg whites will remove gum from anything, including hair.

*Put dusty pillows, curtains or slipcovers in the dryer. Set it on cool and toss in a fabric softener sheet for fragrance.

*To dust high ceilings and ceiling fans, stick a feather duster into the hollow end of a cane fishing pole, sold at import stores for about \$1.

Finally, if you have a clutter problem, a constant struggle at our house, here's a suggestion. Load all the clutter that's driving you nuts into a large paper grocery bag. Stash it in a closet or some out-of-the-way place.

If family members are missing something, send them to the bag. Anything not retrieved within 2 or 3 weeks can be considered a likely candidate for the trash. By that time you can fill another bag.

Sr. Citizens' Menu

Senior citizens are asked to make reservations before 9:00 a.m., on the day of the meal, by calling Clara Gaffney, 872-2875.

MARCH 22-23-26

Monday - Lasagne, Italian vegetables, salad, Italian bread, pineapple tidbits.

Wednesday - Turkey tetrazzini, stewed tomatoes, variety bread, fresh banana, carrot/raisin salad.

Friday - Chicken breast, potato triangles, peas & carrots, French bread, fresh orange.

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Story hour schedule set

Spring preschool story hour is scheduled for 10 a.m., Thursdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22

and 29, at Rawson Memorial Library. Children age 3 through 5, but not yet in kindergarten, are invited to attend.

Each week staff members will read stories and the children will make a craft to take home. This is an excellent opportunity for children to

get together with others their age. In this setting they can develop listening skills and become familiar with the library.

There is no charge for this program, but children must be pre-registered. Registration begins March 22 and ends March 30 at the library.

Cass City Social Items

Call your local news to the Chronicle office 872-2010

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Stine and Ivan Stine attended the funeral of their sister and aunt, Dolores Smith, Monday, March 8, at the Coates Funeral Home in Waterford.

Dale and Mary Damm arrived home Thursday evening after spending 2 1/2 weeks with their son, Rick, in Pinellas Park, Fla. They also visited Stan and Barb Otulakowski in Holiday, Don and Lois Roberts in Hudson, Harry and Shirley Watkins in Clearwater, and Bob and Smitty Benkelman in Sun City Center.

Thanks for calling 872-2010 with feature story ideas

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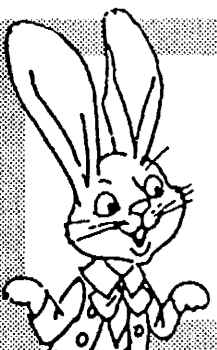
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Rabbit Tracks

by John Haire

(And anyone else he can get to help.)

It should no longer surprise when the long arm of coincidence strikes, but it always does. Another episode was recorded Sunday when the Haires again stopped to attend a church service out of town.

The church is selected because the time of service coincides with the time we pass by. Sunday it was a Baptist Church in South Lyon between Flint and Ann Arbor.

After the service the pastor learned we were from Cass City and quickly informed us that he was a native of the area, went to school in Cass City and served as assistant pastor at the First Baptist Church in Cass City.

His name: Lee Taylor.

It wouldn't be fair for me to rate Archie's Family Restaurant at the corner of Davison and M-15 in Davison. It was visited on the recommendation of a friend.

The place was crowded and a menu listed chicken, fish and steak specials, all at reasonable prices. Not very hungry, we each had only a hamburger and milk shake, which were okay.

I can attest that the quantities were liberal, judging by the food at other tables. If you visit, let me know about the quality.

The results of the Class C district tournaments in the Thumb are what make March Madness what it is. During the regular season, teams in the Greater Thumb West absolutely dominated every team in the Greater Thumb East.

Yet, not one of the heavily favored teams was able to escape defeat by giant underdog East teams.

Upsets are the rule, not the exception in the tournament. Off the top of my head, I can remember an undefeated Cass City team losing to Vassar, a team it had defeated by 20 points or more during the regular season.

Conversely, and more enjoyable for Hawk fans, there was the undefeated Unionville-Sebewaing team that had rolled over competition by 20 to 30 points during the regular season that lost to a good Cass City team the only time they faced each other.

Reporter's notebook

Crash coverage part of job

by Tom Montgomery
Editor

His question was simple and direct, but it took me by surprise.

"You're not going to take pictures of the body, are you?"

It wasn't the first time the question has been posed to me.

In all fairness, I believe the paramedic who approached me at the scene of last week's fatal crash east of Cass City did so out of concern for the victim, whose lifeless body was still inside the cab of his pickup truck, and perhaps more so for the victim's family.

He saw me standing near the crumpled vehicles, camera bag at my side, and wanted to know what I was doing there. He noticed my press identification card, and he was polite, but seemed bothered by my presence.

I don't blame him. Even after more than a dozen years as a reporter and countless runs to accidents and fires, I still feel uncomfortable taking photographs at the scene of tragedy. You can't help but feel a profound sadness for family members who don't even know what's happened yet, and the reality of how quickly a life can be lost stays with you.

I'm rarely surprised to run into someone who is equally displeased to see me at the scene; over the years I've been cursed at, yelled at, even charged by a grief-stricken friend of an accident victim.

Again, I don't blame them. Understandably, the presence of reporters and photographers upsets the friends and family members of the victim(s). To be honest, if the victim were close to me, I'd feel the same way.

But newspapers are obligated to report the news,

good and bad, in words and images. Readers want and expect to be informed. If you don't believe that, ask any editor who fails to print an accident or fire story. The criticism — that we're not doing our job — is relentless. And fair.

So, we continue to cover these events. At the same time, there are certain lines most reporters won't cross.

I enjoy a generally good relationship with the fire and police departments in the Cass City area, and I'd like to think part of the reason is that I stay out of the way, do my job and then leave.

The fire chiefs, police officers and EMTs I've come to know over the years understand I'm doing my job. Most of them also know I'm not there for an adrenaline rush or because I enjoy seeing the results of a violent collision.

And, they know I don't take pictures of bodies. Ever. Period.

Believe me, there are enough folks out there who have made a hobby out of chasing fire trucks and ambulances for the thrill of it. Some even bring their own cameras from home.

The bottom line is that newspapers will always cover the tragedies along with the other local news. It's not a pleasant part of the job, but it is a responsibility.

Dr. Aly elected a fellow of academy

The American Academy of Pediatrics recently elected Ashraf M. Aly, M.D., Ph.D., as a fellow of the academy.

This prestigious honor reflects a commitment to foster and stimulate interest in pediatrics and in all aspects of the work for the welfare of children.



Dr. Ashraf M. Aly

Dr. Aly is an active staff member at Hills and Dales General Hospital, Cass City, and is board certified in pediatrics.

His practice, Thumb Pediatrics and Pediatric Cardiology, is located in the new Medical Arts & Rehabilitation Center located at 6190 Hospital Dr., Suite 107, Cass City. The office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays and Fridays, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays. Dr. Aly also sees patients at 6456 Center St., Unionville, on Wednesdays (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.), and at 2254 Main St., Ubyly, on Thursdays (8 a.m. to 7 p.m.).

In addition, he will begin seeing patients at the newest clinic location in Kingsford, scheduled to open April 5. Information on appointment dates is available by calling 872-8503.

The Haire Net



When I was a kid, my folks explained to me that using foul language was something that wasn't done and was especially abhorrent in mixed company. It was drilled into me time and again that cussing was a sign that you just weren't bright enough to express yourself adequately in the English language.

I'll confess that some of that has worn away with time, but until this day not only is swearing in mixed company a big no-no, there's an uncomfortable feeling when someone else does it.

I'd suspect that those uncomfortable with cussing wouldn't include John Bonnell, a teacher at Macomb Community College.

Bonnell was accused by a student of regularly using foul language in the classroom. She said that it was offensive, unprofessional and verging on sexual harassment.

He was suspended pending a hearing. It sparked a protest by students who called him a great teacher. Bonnell says that only one of his 300 students last year complained and he was merely teaching literature, the English language and their origins in the style he has for 32 years.

What they call vulgar, I call vernacular and it is never used unless it relates to what I'm teaching, he asserts.

Bonnell, through his lawyer, denies the charges and seeks at the hearing to return to the job he loves and misses. He claims that Bonnell has been denied his First Amendment right to free speech.

You may be surprised that there have been dozens of others of these cases across the country, one in California, where a professor was fired for using sexually explicit language, sued and reinstated by the court.

Free speech is precious, especially when it comes to presenting ideas and we need to be careful to protect it.

Yet it's hard for me to condone cussing in the classroom as prerequisite for free speech. Certainly, 99 out of 100, at least, wouldn't want it to become an issue in Cass City.

A representative of the Cass Control Academy in Chicago says that teachers cussing in classrooms are trying to come down to the level of the students and that's a mistake. The Bonnell case is a reflection of today's society where going to court seems to be



The back forty

by Roger Pond

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erinary fees are extra, and we keep the manure," the horse wrangler told her.

"Oh, but I want the manure for my garden," she said.

"I'm sorry, Ma'am, that's not the way we do business," the horseman replied.

When she arrived at the second stable the owner said, "We charge \$75 a month, vet fees are extra, our farrier changes shoes every 4 months, and we get the manure."

"Oh, I hope the farrier changes the horse's shoes, too," she quipped, but no one laughed.

By the time she arrived at a third stable, the new horse

owner was better prepared. She knew horses are expensive to feed, she could expect some vet bills, and the manure is apparently quite valuable.

The third stable owner told her, "Our boarding fee is \$30 a month, you pay the vet bills, and shoeing costs are extra."

The woman was so pleased with the low price, she almost forgot about the manure. Suddenly she remembered, "Oh, who gets the manure?" she asked.

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CHAPPEL'S CORNER

by Amanda Chappel

Close Up offers close look



This upcoming week 8 high school seniors will be taking a closer look at our nation's capital. From March 21-27, Nicolette Zawilinski, Tara McNeil, Shelly Ullfig, Laura Kundinger, William Mills, Brandon Hartel, Susan O'Hara and Nicole Matheny will be heading down to Washington, D.C., to participate in Close Up.

This government study program is not just a sightseeing trip. Students attend seminars on such groups as the judiciary, military and the media. They are encouraged to share their opinions as representatives from Michigan with students from other states in the United States and its territories.

They have Capitol Hill Day when they meet with Senators Levin and Abraham and visit with Rep. Barcia in his office.

The Close Up Foundation has invited 20,000 students to Washington yearly for the last 27 years. This is the seventh year Cass City High School has been involved.

Mrs. Kathy Tuckey, senior government teacher and Close Up coordinator, said, "I am a firm believer in the value of this program. This is my seventh year of taking students to Washington, D.C., and I have found that students who attend learn more about government in one week with the 'hands on' learning experience than they learn in weeks of reading about government in a book."

They get to see a play and visit many monuments in a monument study. Friday is a free day where students are able to do and see whatever they want.

"I think this will be something that I will never get to do again. I am very anxious and ready!" said Tara McNeil.

Nicole Matheny said, "I am really looking forward to learning a lot more about the government."

Fundraising is a necessity for a trip like this. At Christmas time the Close Up group sold candy canes with personal holiday messages on them to students.

Before Valentine's Day the Close Up group had all high school students fill out a questionnaire and submitted it to a love match program. Within weeks of submission, students could purchase a sheet with the top 10 compatible people of the opposite sex from the school. Love was in the air, let me tell you.

They also sponsored dances, sold T-shirts, and received donations from local foundations. Parent contributions have helped out the most.

Police report arrests

Cass City police made 3 arrests and responded to a property damage complaint over the past week.

Officers arrested Arturo T. Reynero, 27, Caro, for possession of an open intoxicant and violating a restricted driver's license after stopping his vehicle near the intersection of Main and West streets Sunday at 1:55 a.m.

A day earlier, Traci M. Quinn, 26, Cass City, was arrested on suspicion of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor. A vehicle driven by Quinn

Current Senior Shawn Talaski was able to attend the 1998 trip to the capital. He wanted to go again this year but he fell a little short on the cash flow. He gave up some of his time to help this year's participants raise money through fundraising.

"I wanted them to have the same experience that I was able to have," said Shawn. He had a fantastic time last year. "It was expensive but you learn so much. You have the opportunity to meet some of our nation's leaders and see different monuments and neat sites. You also meet tons of kids from other states and see what they do in their home state. The farewell banquet was cool. Participants stood up and shared their experiences of the week. I had a blast!" said Shawn.

Overall, this sounds like a very exciting, worthwhile trip. If your kids or friends ever get the chance to attend, please encourage them.

Elkland board okays budgets

Elkland Township officials plan to hold the line on spending in the next fiscal year, judging by the 1999-2000 spending plan adopted by the township board last week.

Township Clerk Norma Wallace reported the board approved a 1999-2000 general fund budget of \$301,000, down by \$2,339, or .7 of a percent compared to actual estimated expenditures in 1998-99. Also approved were the cemetery fund at \$47,700, down by \$7,346 or 13 percent, and the fire fund at \$71,250, down by \$12,516 or about 15 percent.

Wallace noted the perpetual care fund, used for expenses related to maintenance at the township cemetery, is set at \$5,140.

In a related matter, the board approved motions amending the township

1998-99 budgets. The general fund budget was increased from \$293,950 to \$303,339, the cemetery fund was boosted to \$55,046 from \$46,350, and the fire fund was increased from \$67,950 to \$83,766.

Wallace said the new budget will be reviewed during the township's annual meeting, which will be held Monday, March 29, starting at 7 p.m. at the fire hall in Cass City.

In other business during the March 8 monthly meeting, the board:

- Appointed Bob Wischmeyer to the 1999 Elkland Township Board of Review. He fills a seat previously held by John Maharg.

- Approved an updated version of the Tuscola County Solid Waste Management Plan.

Schools, libraries get \$4.2 million

Thumb area schools and libraries have received federal awards totalling more than \$4.2 million in discounts and funding commitments for improving telecommunications services and Internet access.

Schools and libraries across the state received a total of \$56.9 million in awards from the Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Services Administrative Company.

In the Thumb, the recipients include Cass City Schools, which received \$42,520, and Rawson Memorial Library, Cass City, which received \$1,609.

Other recipients include Kingston Community Schools (\$14,822), Owen-Gage Schools (\$33,827), Sleeper Public Library, Ubyly, (\$1,035), the Tuscola Intermediate School District (\$10,763), Huron Intermediate School District (\$62,300) and Sanilac Intermediate School District (\$28,107).

"These awards are a successful demonstration of what can be achieved when we focus on a common goal," said Gov. John Engler. "Those schools and libraries with the greatest technological needs, benefited the most — providing them with an opportunity to be technically prepared and competitive in



MORE THAN 70 fathers took one or more daughters to the father-daughter dance March 7 to help raise funds for the "Let's Build Some Fun in the Thumb" playground project.

\$800 raised for playground

Fathers flock to dance

More than 70 fathers took one or more daughters to the father-daughter dance March 7 to help raise proceeds for the "Let's Build Some Fun in the Thumb" playground project. Event coordinators report the event was a huge success. Fathers and daughters from all age groups were

represented, with dancing taking place from beginning to end.

"It was a very heart-warming experience to see the dads and their daughters having such a good time together," says Amy Schuette, PR coordinator for the

project. "Several fathers requested that we make the dance an annual event."

A millennium bear Beanie Baby was raffled off during the dance with the winner being Kelsey Rudy, who attended with her father.

Over \$800 was raised toward the playground project.

Blood drive set for April 6

The American Red Cross asks healthy people to give blood regularly to help meet the need for blood throughout the year.

The next opportunity for those in the Cass City area to share in this community responsibility will be at Hills

and Dales General Hospital, April 6 from 1 to 6:45 p.m.

Organizers hope to collect 65 units.

Underlying Michigan's blood needs on a daily basis are patients who need blood to live - a child suffering from leukemia, a new mother

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Loewe 'student of month'

Jennifer Ann Loewe has been named Owendale-Gagetown Schools' senior student of the month for March. She is currently president of the National Honor Society, editor-in-chief of the school newspaper and treasurer of the student council.



Jennifer Loewe

She is also a member of the yearbook staff, French Club, 3.0 Club and on the honor roll.

Loewe has been chosen "Focus" student of the month during her years in high school, as well as a class representative to the Homecoming and Snowball courts. She was class secretary in her junior year.

The daughter of Rev. Timothy and Betty Loewe of Pigeon, her future plans are to attend college and earn a degree in social work.

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Down Memory Lane

From the files of the Chronicle

5 YEARS AGO

In village elections Monday, longtime Gagetown Village Clerk/Treasurer Elery Sontag, a Democrat, and Republican challenger George Wilson each received 31 votes. The winner will be determined by a draw.

Danielle Guilds of Cass City finished second Friday in the Tuscola County Fourth Grade Spelling Bee, held at the Tuscola Area Skill Center in Caro. Four of the last 7 finalists were from Cass City. Aside from Guilds, Cass City Schools were represented by Tim Khoury, Sara Homakie, Jamie Leiterman and Julie Roche.

Nora McMillan of Gagetown reports seeing 50 or more robins in her yard and field Tuesday and Wednesday, much earlier than usual. Marion McClure, who lives on Kelly Road, said that she saw 30 or 40 pheasants in her back yard. A similar sighting was made by Bill Wallace at his home on Schwegler Road.

The Cass City Red Hawks celebrated after winning the



In Virginia in 1619 excess in dress was discouraged by placing a wardrobe tax.

district championship Saturday night on their home court with an easy victory over the Marlette Red Raiders, 62-35. The Hawks will play against Brown City in the regionals Tuesday evening. Brown City has lost only one game this season, to Memphis.

Lee Morgan and Pat Dillon won an all-expense trip to Las Vegas by winning the 2-person best ball handicapped indoor golfing tournament at Northwood Shores, competing against 16 teams. In Vegas the pair will represent Cass City in the 1994 World Indoor Golf Championship.

10 YEARS AGO

Nadara A. Walther, 51, of Cass City, was killed early Saturday evening in a 2-car accident at the intersection of Koepfgen and Muntz Roads in Elkland Township.

A smoke alarm saved the Francis DeLong family home and prevented a tragedy Saturday. "The house was full of smoke," Elkland Township Fire department Chief Dick Root said of the scene when fire fighters arrived shortly after 8:25 a.m. The alarm was called in by DeLong's teenage daughter, who was sleeping in a second floor bedroom of the residence when the alarm went off.

Chosen to the Thumb B

Association all conference team from Cass City were Paul Tuckey and Mike Randall. Cass City players also voted Randall the most valuable player. Jeff Krol received an honorable mention.

More than 50 kids and several adults attended a birthday party for Barbie and G.I. Joe, sponsored Saturday by the Ben Franklin Store in Cass City. Barbie turned 30 and G.I. Joe, 25, last month.

25 YEARS AGO

Seconds after the game ended Tuesday, Chuck Bliss was hoisted to the shoulders of his teammates for a free ride off the floor. The sophomore had the best game of his young career and his shot as the final whistle blew won the game for Cass City from Michigan Lutheran Seminary, 76-74, at Grand Blanc. The win moved the Hawks into the finals Friday night.

Cass City business and civic leaders attended a hearing last week in Detroit which could hold the fate of the village's railroad line in the balance.

Former Cass City High School shortstop Gene Salas is one of 23 players on the Oakland University baseball team currently on a 10-day swing in the sunny south, where they will play 5 different schools.

Funeral services will be held Thursday for Mrs. Marion Douglas, 70, who died Sunday in West Jersey Hospital, Camden, N.J. Mrs. Douglas and her husband Earl operated the Douglas Funeral Home for over 30 years in Cass City. He died Oct. 8, 1960.

Greg Hampshire was guest speaker at the United Presbyterian Women's Association meeting Monday at the Cass City Presbyterian Church. He told about his year in South America.

35 YEARS AGO

Valedictorian for this year's Cass City High School Class of 1964 is Bonnie Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Spencer of Tyre. Salutatorian honors for 1964 were earned by Phyllis Ewald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ewald of rural Cass City.

Two Elkton area youths have admitted taking 18 hubcaps from Cass City cars early in February. The pair took 2 sets of caps from cars at a bowling tournament at Cass City Lanes and the remaining caps from new cars at Buleen Motors the same night.

Laundry procedures at Hills and Dale's General Hospital

Area residents on honors list

A total of 5,825 Michigan State University students, including several from the Cass City area, earned a 3.5 or better grade point average for the fall 1998 semester.

Among those named to the university's honors list are:

Cass City — Jeffery A. Little, a junior majoring in political science/pre-law; Joshua R. Lounsbury, a sophomore majoring in political science/pre-law; Michelle A. Pisarek, a senior majoring in child development; and Shivaugn Rayl, a junior majoring in hospital-ity business.

Owendale — Lindsay B. Krueger, a senior majoring in education; and Jennifer M. Niester, a senior majoring in journalism.

Ubley — Rhonda A. Heleski, a junior majoring in zoology; Gary H. Kucharczyk, a sophomore (no major); Jennifer E.

Trepkoski, a junior majoring in family community services; and Jill M. Trepkoski, a senior majoring in accounting.

Talaski recently inducted

Cindy Talaski of Decker has been inducted into the Alpha Chi Chapter at Robert Morris College, Moon Township, Penn.

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O-G exits in regional finals at Dryden

The Owendale-Gagetown Bulldogs came up just short in their quest Saturday to return to the state finals of the Class D volleyball tournament.

Coach Judy Campbell's spikers couldn't overcome the superior height advantage enjoyed by regional champion New Lothrop Saturday in Dryden. The Bulldogs bowed from the state's tourney during a thrilling 3-game match.

After ousting Dryden in the opening round of their own regional, the Bulldogs' season ended with back-to-back losses of 15-5 and 15-3 in the finals to the Hornets.

"We battled longer than the scores indicated," said Campbell.

After a one-year absence, Owen-Gage looked poised to return to the quarterfinals after winning the opening game of the championship match, 15-11, and claiming a 3-1 lead in game 2.

But behind a solid front line that included a pair of 6-footers, the Hornets battled back to even the match at one game each with a 15-5 victory.

In the deciding game, New Lothrop raced to an 8-0 lead and held on to win, 15-5.

"We got back on our heels on the first few serves received and built their momentum," said Campbell.

The regional loss ended the career of Kristie Radabaugh. The Bulldogs' lone senior compiled 4 points that included 3 aces at Dryden. She also contributed 8 assists and

6 digs, which complemented 2 kills.

The Bulldogs, who put a 33-8-6 mark into the record

kills and assists, with 14 and 18, respectively. She chipped in 15 digs.

Salcido, one of 5 sopho-



Senior Kristie Radabaugh ended her O-G career collecting 4 points, 8 assists, 6 digs and 2 kills.

books, will return a gang of underclassmen next season.

Cassie Vargo and Erin Salcido, 2 of Campbell's returnees for next year, turned in their usual fine outing at Dryden.

Vargo, a junior, led the Bulldogs at the service line with 17 points and 10 aces. Vargo also recorded team highs in

mores of the NCTL champions, pitched in 12 kills, 9 assists, and 15 digs.

Salcido's classmates, Stephanie Lowry and Jenna Root, combined for 21 points, 13 kills, and 29 digs.

Junior Melanie Lemanski accounted for 10 blocks, while Danielle Fritz chipped in 16 digs.

Bellew helps win district title

A Cass City teen has played a key role in helping his hockey team reach state competition.

Derek Bellew, 15, is a member of the Saginaw Badgers Midget "A" Travel Team, which won a district title in February and will compete in a state-level tournament this month.

Derek, who has played hockey for 6 years, led the Badgers in total points (41) this year, with 13 goals and

28 assists.

Derek's father, Craig Bellew, is head coach of the team, which practices once a week and plays 50 to 60 games throughout the state between Sept. 1 and mid-March.

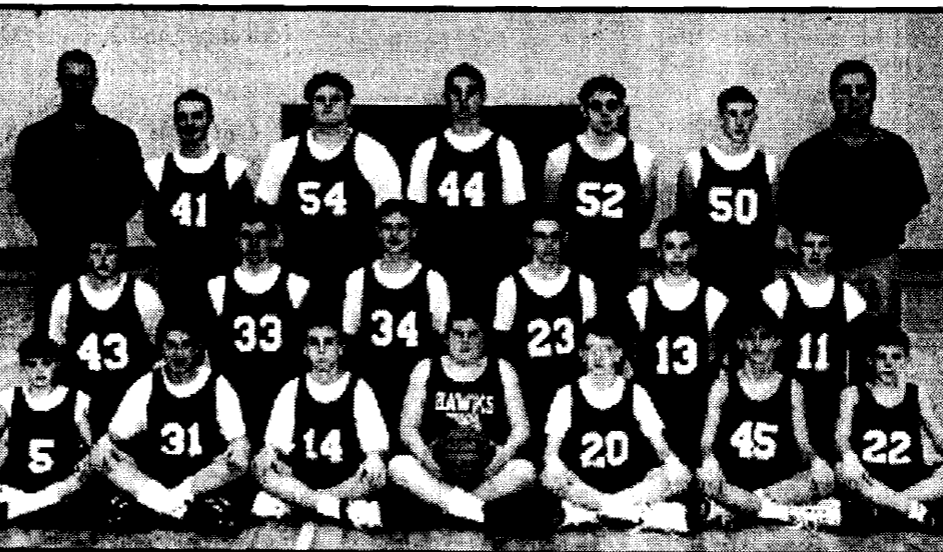
The Badgers are composed of players, ages 15 to 18, from several communities, including Saginaw, Midland, Bay City, Standish and Bridgeport.



DEREK Bellew, 15, Cass City, is a member of the Saginaw Badgers (above), which will be going to state competition this month.



RED HAWK COACHES John Maharg, Jeff Hartel, Don Markel, and Chad Daniels.



THE CASS CITY 8th grade boys' basketball team finished with a 10-2 record and were champions of the Mayville Invitational tournament. They are: (front l-r) Brandon Speirs, Tyler Coleman, Noel Powell, Jeremy Schultz, Curtis Hessler, Stan Woodruff, Cliff Biskner. (2nd row l-r) Tyler Harp, Matt Stoutenburg, Josh Sherman, Bryan Douglass, Jarod Chard, Shawn Talaski. (3rd row l-r) Coach Jim Green, Aaron Diegel, Jason Barrigar, Chris Maharg, Joe Hawley, Nick Turner, Coach John Maharg. Missing: Rajen Raythatha, Brenden Fredericks and Chris Morrish.

College scholarships available

A conservative estimate of college costs for a full-time student runs from \$10,000 to \$30,000, with higher cost colleges averaging as much as \$40,000 to \$100,000.

Most parents and students think that scholarships are only for students with excellent grades, low-income families, or the athletically inclined. However, there are a host of scholarship opportunities available, including handicapped student scholarships, members of a church scholarships, scholarships for "C" students, children of veterans scholarships and scholarships for minorities.

Though the majority of scholarships are from the federal government and are merit and/or need-based, billions of dollars are available to students from private sector scholarships, and much of private sector financial aid goes unused because parents and students do not know how or where to apply.

There are organizations that have spent hundreds of hours locating scholarship sources. The U.S. Commission for Scholarship Assistance - College Bound is such an organization and supplies the public with more than 700

different private scholarship sources. The scholarship list includes names, addresses, application deadlines, summaries about the scholarships and the amount the scholarships pay.

Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; others can be applied towards tuition, living expenses and/or other fees. Most scholarships can

be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4-year colleges, graduate schools, and medical and law schools.

To obtain a scholarship list, send a self-addressed, stamped business size #10 envelope to: The U.S. Commission for Scholarship Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, Ill. 62269.

Hawks announce coaching changes

Cass City Athletic Director Russell Biefer has announced coaching changes for 3 Red Hawk varsity sports.

The first change will start this spring when Cass City teacher Chad Daniels will head the Red Hawk baseball program.

In the fall, the Hawks' gridiron hopes will fall on the shoulders of teachers Don Markel and Jeff Hartel. Also this fall, John Maharg will take the reins of the girls' basketball program.

"We like to hire teachers whenever possible," said Biefer of the new staff.

Markel and Hartel need little introduction to Red Hawk backers. Markel has been a teacher in the Cass City school system since 1980. During that time he has held the head coaching position in track, football and wrestling.

Markel guided the Hawk football program from 1988-1994. Over that period he recorded 4 winning seasons, including a co-championship in 1994. His best record came in 1989 when the Hawks finished 7-2, bowing to Millington in the championship game. Markel has also coached junior varsity football in Cass City from 1983-1988 and at Marine City from 1977-1979.

Hartel has been a member of the district school system since 1991. He has held coaching spots in both girls' and boys' basketball and on the baseball diamond and golf links.

Hartel was Cass City's starting varsity quarterback for 2 years during his playing days at Cass City. While at Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern, a perennial football powerhouse, Hartel spent 3 years coaching the school's freshman teams. Hartel has also coached junior high football for 2 years in Cass City.

Maharg takes over the girls' basketball coaching duties from Jim Mastie, who has retired after 3 years at the head of the school's program.

Maharg has previously coached 4 years at Laker High School, including 2 years as the varsity boys' coach. Maharg has also coached 8 years of junior high boys' basketball in Cass City, and has spent his 9 last years working with the Cass City girls. Maharg has been the Hawk girls' junior varsity coach for the past 5 years.

"I started coaching girls because of my wife's interest (Kally Maharg started the girls' program in 1972 and won a regional in 1977) and my (interest in) daughter Lindsay. I now have more interest in girls' basketball than boys' basketball. I am excited about the upcoming season. I've have enjoyed and learned much from Jim Mastie and Marty Daniel," says Maharg.

Chad Daniels has little athletic coaching experience, but has done a wonderful job working with the debate, forensics, Student Congress and theater groups. Daniels held a one-year stint coaching Cass City's 7th grade boys' basketball team.

"I'm excited to get involved with a different group of kids," says Daniels.

Dorsch completes army course

Army Pvt. Daniel W. Dorsch has graduated from the heavy-wheeled vehicle mechanic course at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the course, the soldier learned to perform unit maintenance on heavy duty vehicles, including prime movers designated as more than 5 tons and associated trailers, such as crane, hoist and winch assemblies, and material handling equipment; performed maintenance and repaired systems, chassis and assemblies pertaining to brake, ignition, engine, electrical, axle, hydraulic, transmission, suspension, wheel and steering.

Dorsch is the son of Donald R. Dorsch of Owendale. He is a 1998 graduate of Owen-Gage High School.

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Sport shorts

Dorland competes at state finals

Red Hawk wrestler Adam Dorland was the lone Cass City grappler to compete in



Adam Dorland

the individual state finals over the weekend held in Detroit at the Joe Lewis Arena.

Dorland advanced into the weekend activities with a 7-1 opening round win Thursday over Center Line's Gordon Graham.

Saturday, the Hawk junior was bounced from the Division II double elimination tournament with losses of 16-0 to Quincy's Drew Beeraw and 9-3 to Chad Coon of Reed City.

Dorland, who was making his 2nd consecutive trip to the state finals, rolled into the finals after finishing 2nd in the 135-lb. weight division during regional competition held March 6 in Caro.

Wood represents Hawks at gymnastic finals

Junior Katie Wood was Red Hawk Coach John Waltz's only representative at



Katie Wood

the state's Division II individual gymnastic finals Saturday in Hartland.

Wood, a 3-year member of the Hawk gymnastic program, earned the right to compete at the state's top level after registering a score of 8.8 in the vault March 6 during regional competition, also held in Hartland. Wood's tally resulted in a tie for 7th place. The top 8 finishers at all regionals advance into the state finals.

Wood, who has overcome 5 broken toes sustained last season, recorded a 7.9 mark in the vault, which failed to place.

Powell Michigan free throw champ

Cass City's Noal Powell is the best 13-year-old free throw shooter in the state of



Noal Powell

Michigan, according to the results of the Knights of Columbus free throw contest.

Powell converted a personal best 23 of 25 charity tosses Sunday in the finals of the competition held in Tewawo-Westphalia to capture top honors in the age 13 division. Powell's total was then matched against the Upper Peninsula winner's tally, which gave Powell the outright title for the state.

The Red Hawk 8th grader missed his 3rd shot of the event, and then made 21 straight tosses before missing his final attempt.

Powell earned the right to compete Sunday after winning preliminary rounds in Cass City, Marlette and Saginaw.

Baseball skills clinic program announced

The final program for Cass City's annual baseball skills clinic, scheduled for this Friday and Saturday, has been released by event coordinator Jim Turner.

Friday, pitchers and catchers between the ages of 7-19 are asked to report to the middle school gym at 8:30 p.m.

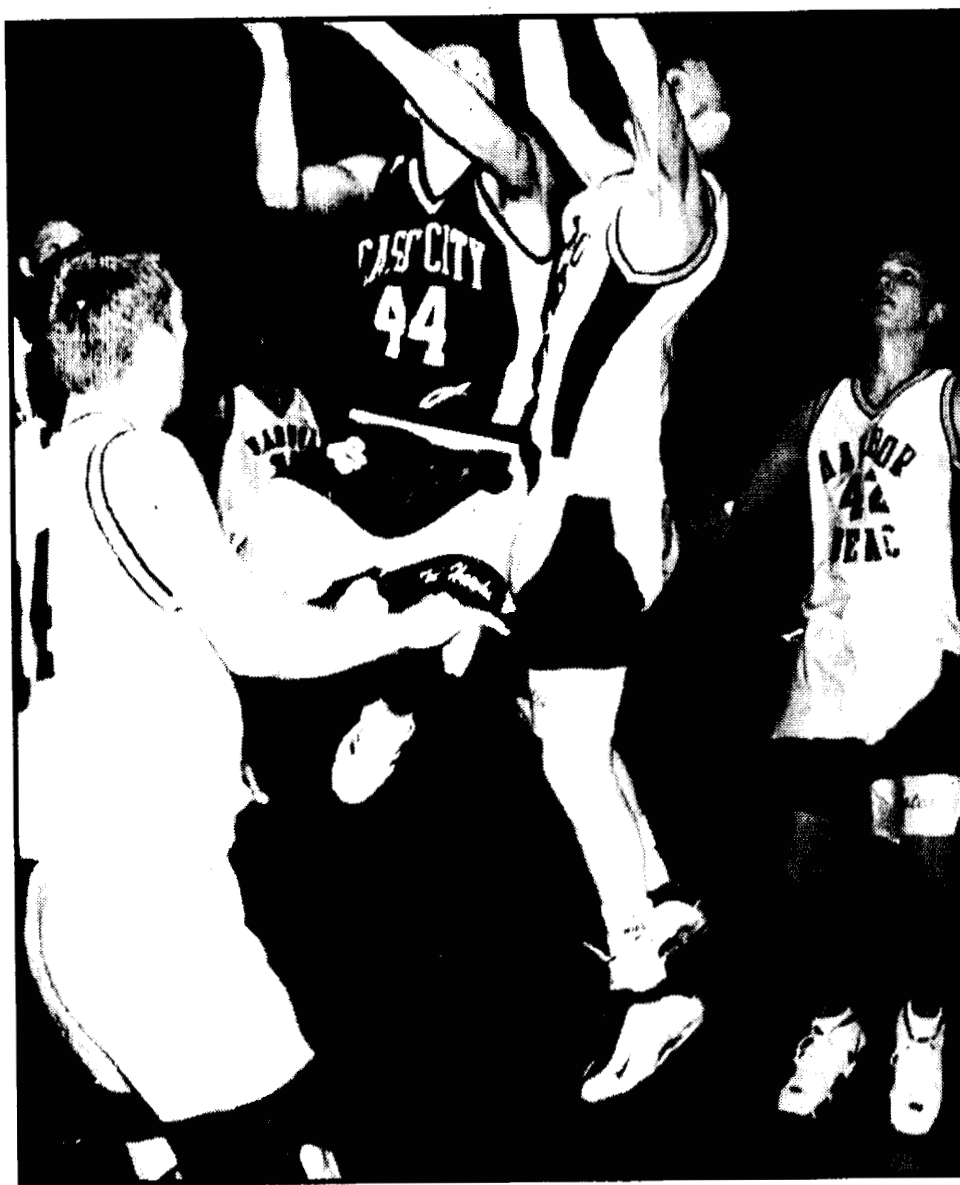
The following day, Saturday, registration starts at 8 a.m. for players 12 & under.

with activities running till 2:30 p.m.

Registration for players 13 and older begins at 2:00 p.m., with clinics lasting till 9:00 p.m.

Participants are asked to bring their own gloves, with bats being optional. A lunch will be provided.

For more information about the event, contact Turner at 517-872-2474.



BILL GOODALL scored on a fall-away jump shot against Harbor Beach. He made his final game for Cass City a good one, scoring 16 points.

Hawk cagers end season on foul note

With Craig Emmert playing just about a quarter of the game, the Cass City Red Hawks bowed out of the district tourney Wednesday night, losing to Harbor Beach, 73-60.

It was a game dominated by the officials and foul trouble at one stretch of the game forced both Heath Zawilinski and Emmert to the bench. For the first time this year, the Hawks were beaten on the glass, 35 to 31, and the winners also handled the ball better, with 10 turnovers to 13 by Cass City.

By the end of the first quarter, Zawilinski and Emmert were both on the bench because of fouls. After the first quarter ended in a tie, marked by a cold shooting night for Cass City and some sloppy ball handling, the Pirates forged in front 21-17 and Emmert went to the bench with his third foul at the 4:01 mark. The Hawks overcame the Pirate lead at the 2:22 mark, went in front 22-21 and then traded baskets to leave the floor with a narrow 27-26 lead at the intermission.

The Hawks stayed in the game as Emmert sat out the majority of the third quarter as a pair of Hawk seniors made their last high school game one to remember.

Bill Goodall scored 8 of his game-high 16 points and Nick King added 5 of his 14 points in the period. Going into the game-deciding final quarter, the Hawks led 45-44.

Emmert returned to the game at the 6:52 mark and lasted just 30 seconds before picking up his fifth and final foul in a call made away from the ball as the players jockeyed for position.

With Emmert on the bench, the Pirates took control of the boards and the game.

For the first time this year, the Hawks were beaten on the glass, 35 to 31, and the winners also handled the ball better, with 10 turnovers to 13 by Cass City.

When Emmert was benched, the Hawks were in front 47-46 and then Harbor Beach went on a 9-2 run to forge in front 57-51 with 4:30 left in the game.

Cass City attempted to get back in the game with a full-court press but the Beachers beat it with 2 long passes down the floor for easy buckets.

CASS CITY - Cuddie 1-0 (0-0) 2; Wright 2-1 (2-2) 9; Zawilinski 4-2 (0-1) 14; King 6-0 (2-3) 14; Hartel 0-0 (1-2) 1; Goodall 4-1 (5-6) 16; Emmert 2-0 (0-0) 4. **TOTALS** - 19-4 (10-14) 60.

HARBOR BEACH - Behnke 0-2 (8-8) 14; Siemen 3-1 (0-0) 9; Burkhard 0-0 (1-2) 1; Braun 1-0 (4-9) 6; N. Wruble 11-0 (5-6) 27; Geiger 1-0 (0-0) 2; Hessling 2-0 (4-4) 8; A. Wruble 2-0 (2-4) 6. **TOTALS** - 20-3 (24-35) 73.

Faith-In-Action holding Spring Fling

Tickets are on sale for the first-ever Spring Fling being sponsored by the Tuscola County Faith-In-Action Volunteer Caregivers.

The event promises an evening of fine dining and dancing Saturday, April 17, at the VFW hall in Cass City. The doors will open at 4 p.m., with dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and dancing beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Music will be provided by Denny Ewald and the Music Makers.

Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased in advance by contacting Sandi Fader at 872-5476 (ext. 398) or at (517) 693-6183, or by contacting Lucille Sayers at (517) 673-4650.

Cass City Bowling

CHARMONT LADIES March 9

Live Wires	20 1/2
Cable-ettes	19
J.B.'s Crew	15 1/2
Cass City Tire	15
Dee's M.P. Rockets	14
Team #7	14
Wild John's	14
Dott Manufacturing	12 1/2
Sister Act	9
Pizza Villa	6 1/2

High Team Series & Game: Wild John's 3137 (1090). High Series: H. Karr 501, B. Kilbourn 494, B. Watson 482, M. Horne 473. High Games: H. Karr 180, T. Avery 183, B. Kilbourn 179, B. Watson 177, V. Patera 170, D. Mathewson 173.

MERCHANTS LEAGUE March 10

Thumb Welding	22 1/2
New England	19
Hollywood & Vine	17
S.S. Builders	15
R.H. Body Shop	15
Triple R	14 1/2
Wickes	12
Charmont	11
Gemini Plastics	11
Trisch Septic	3

High Team Game: Hollywood & Vine 1068.

High Team Series: Charmont 3093.

High Individual Series & Games: R. Hull 692 (219-227-246), M. Lutz 675 (225-248), S. Ross 645 (265), J. Putnam 638 (229-246), M. Jackson 630 (214-215), B. Anthes 629 (212-232), R. Wright 625 (210-213), P. McIntosh 623 (221-222), J. Langenburg 609, R. Salcido 608 (226), C. Anthes 606 (222), V. Trisch 601 (226), M. Gettel 597 (213), J. Krol 593 (222), D. Engelhardt 590 (215-246), D. Shannon 587 (238), T. Kueck 582 (225), T. Patingill 581 (210), P. Robinson 580 (224), D. Hyatt 233, J. Lefler 211, D. Johnson 219, L. Prime 237.

MERCHANETTE LEAGUE March 11

Hills & Dales Hospital	17 1/2
Thumb Auto Wash	17
Caro Chiropractic	15
Silver Birch Kennel	14
J.B.'s Crew	11 1/2
All Season Rental	10
A Cut Above	10
Detroit Edison	10
Health Mart Pills	8
LaFave Steel	7

500 Series: B. Howard 552, N. Wallace 533, R. Gaeth 531, C. Smith 529, L. Erla 518, J. Dickinson 508, J. Bemus 503, P. Vaughan 501. 200 Games: B. Howard 246, C. Smith 211, R. Gaeth 210, S. Hutchinson 208, K. Lackowski 202.

High Actual Team Series: Thumb Auto Wash 2000. High Actual Team Game: Caro Chiropractic 721.

THURSDAY NITE TRIO March 11

General Cable	32
Terra	30
New England Financial	28
Cass Tavern	23
Mycogen Plant Sciences	23
Schmaltz Construction	23
Babich Farms	21
Hyatt Farms	19
Thumb Auto Wash	18
Generally Low	18
Marlette Oil & Gas	15
Martin Electric	12

High Series & Games: Doug O'Dell 730 (247-268-215), G. Smith 728 (253-267), T. Babich 626 (234-230), Duane O'Dell 617 (211-227), D. Roth 611 (214), K. Pichla 607 (214), R. Doerr 600 (214), R. Hull 589, E. Schmaltz 582 (224), Dennis Hyatt 579 (223), B. Bieble 578, J. Krol 230, J. Roth 224, R. Root 219, D. Doerr 215.

High Team Series & Game: General Cable 2075 (700).

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES March 12

Rolling Thunder	48
Easy 7	46
Pinheads	42
The Family	36
Rocketeers	29
Bye	9

Men's High Series and Games: D. Montreuil 524 (199), L. Gaszczyński 501 (196).

Women's High Series & Game: B. Watson 527 (194). High Team Series & Game: Easy 7 1872 (661).

TSCD trees offered

The Tuscola Soil Conservation District is still taking orders for trees and shrubs for this spring. The trees and shrubs may be used for wind-breaks, reforestation, erosion control, restocking a woodlot, Christmas trees and wildlife cover.

Species available are white pine, red pine, Scotch pine, Austrian pine, white spruce, Norway spruce, Colorado blue spruce, Douglas fir, Carolina poplar, red oak, Colorado blue spruce and Norway spruce super husky transplants, white cedar transplants and a limited number of autumn olive, silky dogwood and red osier dogwood. The pines, spruce and shrubs come in bundles of 50 and the poplar, oak and transplants come in bundles of 10.

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Electrical cooperatives will be ready for Y2K

Michigan's electric cooperatives will be ready for the year 2000.

The state's 9 distribution cooperatives and one generation and transmission cooperative, which provide electric service to 600,000 residents in 58 of the state's 83 counties, will be prepared for the turn of the century's Y2K problem.

"The lights will not go out to our member-consumers as a result of the Y2K computer problem," said Michael Peters, executive vice president of the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association.

Michael Krause, general manager of Thumb Electric Cooperative (TEC), indicated that TEC continues to test and validate all critical systems. He said officials are confident all the necessary modifications will be in place prior to Jan. 1, 2000.

"Recent newspaper stories

on Y2K readiness quote from an old draft report of the U.S. Senate Y2K Committee that suggests the nation's 1,000 small, rural electric utilities are 'of greatest concern.' In Michigan, at least, that is far from the truth," Peters said.

Y2K refers to the problem arising from computer programs and chips that are programmed to recognize years as 2 digits. The year 2000 would be written as 00 and might be interpreted as 1900.

Michigan's electric cooperatives have been working on the Y2K problem for more than 2 years, according to Peters, who said they have been doing everything larger utilities and other businesses have been doing to ensure readiness.

Officials have been checking meters, controls, data recorders, radios, computers, relay switches and any other

equipment that may have date-sensitive control chips. In addition, they have been surveying their power suppliers and other vendors to make sure the supply chain is not disrupted.

In the field, the cooperatives won't experience many problems because the poles, wires and transformers that deliver electricity to member homes, businesses, camps and cottages have very few date sensitive processors.

Internally, the co-ops have replaced out-of-compliance PCs and servers, and several have upgraded phone systems to address Y2K issues. In a 1998 year-end letter to the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Department of Energy Secretary Bill Richardson applauded the nation's electric cooperatives for their attentive response in addressing their systems' readiness.

"We are unaware of any other sector (of the electric utility industry) that has developed such a comprehensive and open process in such a short time," Richardson wrote.

"Michigan's electric cooperatives will be Y2K compliant in all mission-critical areas by this summer," Peters said. "Furthermore, we are making every effort to ensure that our suppliers are compliant as well. It is our mission to see to it that our member-consumers continue to receive reliable, safe electric service at all times — irrespective of Y2K.



A COLLABORATIVE effort between Alzina Stratton of Millington (right) and Roberta Stine of Cass City resulted in this "hole in the barn door" design quilt, which will be raffled off during Fall Family Days Sept. 11-12 at the Octagon Barn. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the Friends of the Thumb Octagon Barn. Ticket information is available by calling (517) 665-0081.

To April 9

Crop loss sign-up extended

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced the extension of the sign-up deadline for assistance provided by the 1999 Budget Bill under the new Crop Loss Disaster Assistance Program. The new deadline is April 9. The sign-up was originally scheduled to end March 12. More than \$2 billion has been authorized by the Con-

gress to reimburse farmers hit by natural disasters and who suffered losses greater than 35 percent of their historic yields.

Farmers are eligible for compensation either for qualifying losses on 1998 crops, or losses in any 3 or more crop years between 1994 and 1998 where a crop insurance indemnity or assis-

tance under the non-insured crop disaster assistance program was received. Farmers can receive payments under either single-year or multi-year provisions, but not both.

Payments to farmers will be prorated after all applications are reviewed in order to stay within the program's budget requirements.

Management of wildfire topic of Envirothon

Michigan is sponsoring the sixth annual Envirothon to be held May 14, 15 at Lake Superior College in Sault Ste. Marie.

The environmental issue for 1999 is "Wildfire Management." There are a lot of aspects which students will need to address in their study of the issue. The topic will include fuel removal; air quality issues associated with burns; rural and urban community education regarding wildfires; impacts of wildfires on natural resources; timber salvage; tree planting and other recovery methods.

The topic was chosen by the California Envirothon, who will be hosting the 1999 National Envirothon. Considering the wildfires that have occurred in Michigan, it will also be a timely topic for students here to address. Community outreach projects will again be a part of the state competition and the project is worth 20 percent of the competition grade.

The Envirothon is a 2-day state-wide training and competition to increase students' knowledge and understanding of natural resources and promote an awareness of environmental issues. The Envirothon is a great opportunity for students to work together to increase their problem solving skills through a "hands on" competition while creating an understanding of the interrelationships among plants, animals, humans and the environment they share.

The Envirothon team consists of 3 to 5 students from 9th to 12th grade. A minimum of 3 of the 5 students must be present at the state competition for the team to compete. A team advisor such as a principal, science

teacher or other person dedicated to the student Envirothon teams is also needed. This advisor will serve as a liaison between the school teams and the local conservation district to coordinate information and activities.

The Envirothon shall consist of 7 competitive categories: forestry, wildlife, water/aquatics, soils/ecology, energy, soils, sustainable ag and the environmental issue. Team members are not to use or be in possession of any electronic devices such as tape recorders or video tape cameras, etc., during the competition. Calculators are permitted.

Applications should be turned in to the Tuscola Soil Conservation District as soon as possible but no later than March 26, so they may be registered in the state competition. The entry fee is \$75.00 per team and resource materials are approximately \$50.00. The Tuscola SCD will coordinate the entry forms, resource materials and guidelines for the event. The Tuscola SCD will also pay the entry fee and resource material fee for Tuscola teams entering the competition.

Awards will be presented at the state level and the first place winner will advance to the national competition in California.

For an application or further information, contact the SCD office at 517-673-8174.

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Kingston library to host IRA program

The Jacquelin E. Opperman Memorial Library in Kingston will host a free 2-hour financial presentation Saturday, April 3, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Financial consultant Rekha Saigal of Salomon Smith Barney, Saginaw, will be the guest speaker.

Topics to be covered include how to use a Roth IRA to avoid required minimum distributions at age 70 1/2,

choosing between a Roth and traditional IRA, converting an IRA to a Roth IRA, how to have tax-free retirement income, how to provide an income tax-free inheritance, and using an educational IRA to fund college costs with tax-free dollars.

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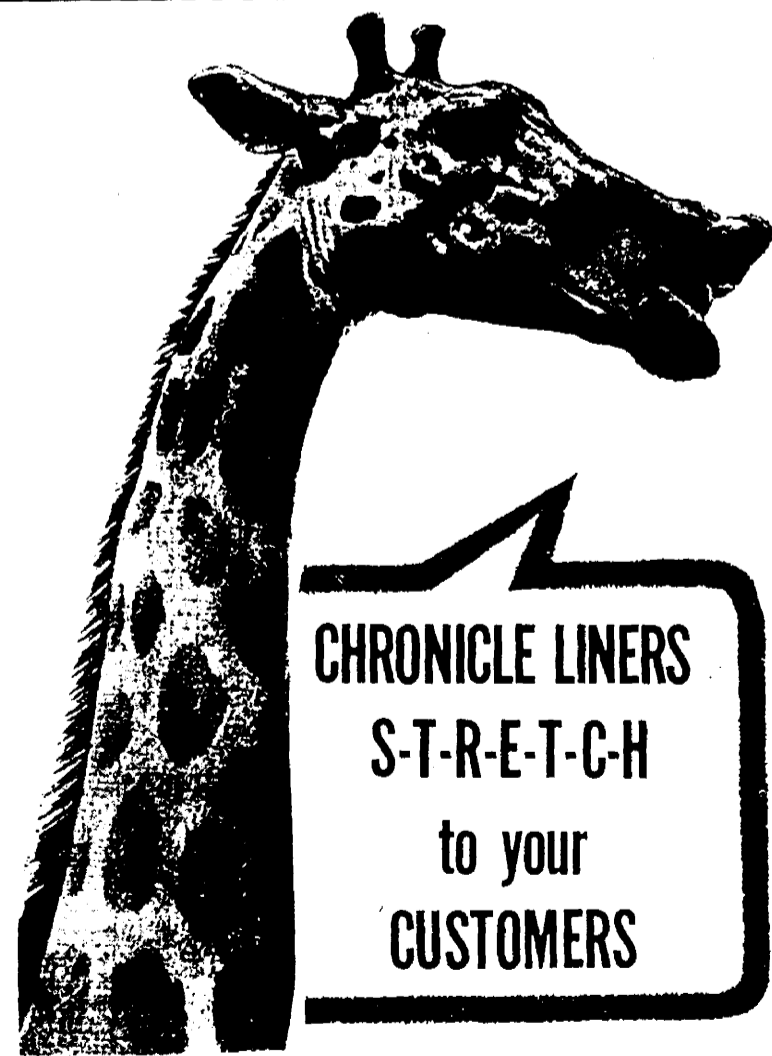


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mothering day March 27. The 18th annual Christian Mothering Day will be held Saturday, March 27, at Laker High School.

EXTENDED HOMEMAKERS Ten members of the Extended Homemakers met at Franklin Plaza for lunch Thursday.

evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chet Leppke. Mrs. Martin Sweeney visited Mary Louise Booms, Gillis Brown, Belva Pratt, Aaren Hershberger and Mabel Fisher at the Huron County Medical Care Facility Thursday.

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Precision farming topic of seminar March 24

Michigan State University - Huron County, Winning Edge Consulting, and Crop Production Services of Ubyly are sponsoring a precision farming educational seminar this spring.

The seminar, entitled "More Information... More Control", is designed to help farmers and others become more informed decision-makers and better managers through the use of precision farming information. The class will be held Wednesday, March 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Ubyly Heights Country Club.

The seminar is intended for growers who are just getting started with a precision farming system, are thinking of getting one, or are simply interested in learning more about this technology. It is also designed for farm managers and others in agribusiness who are interested in the value of precision farming.

During the class, participants will learn how to interpret yield maps, how to de-

cide which records to keep, steps to utilize the power of GIS, the importance of planning and goal setting, how to measure the benefits of precision agriculture, steps necessary to do reliable on-farm testing, the benefits of working with area farmers to collect data, and how to understand, implement and profit from precision agriculture.

Angela Eichorn, Huron County Extension agricultural agent, noted the class will not include sales information or recommendations on specific precision farming systems, software or crop inputs.

"This class concentrates exclusively on agronomic and economic aspects of precision farming," she said. "We want to give our community all the tools possible to understand and profit from precision farming."

Registration and cost information for the seminar is available by calling Precision Ag Services at 1-888-258-0208.



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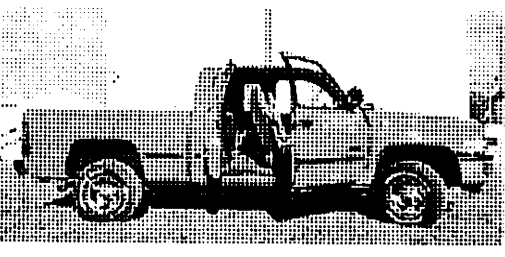
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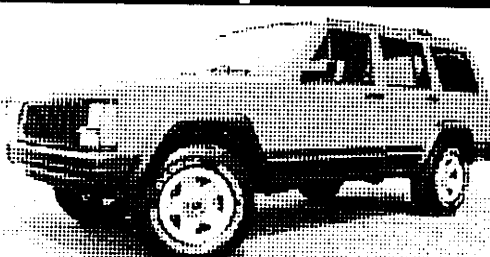
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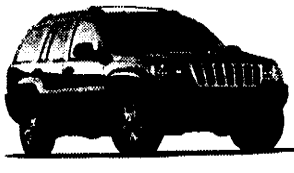
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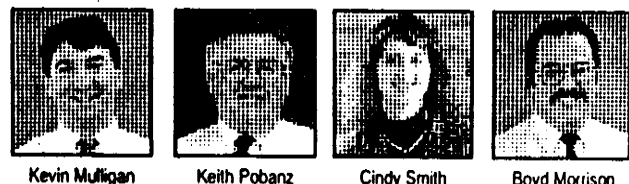
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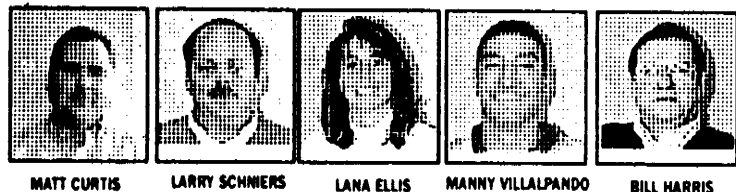


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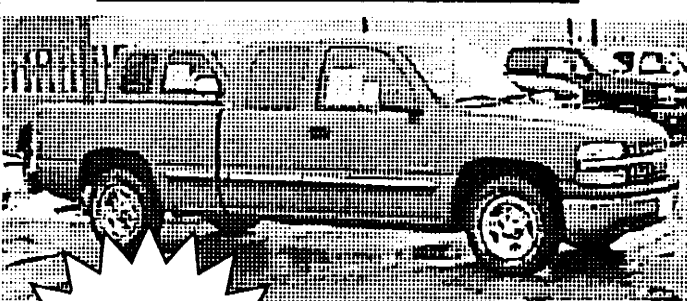
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